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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b>		Docket Number (Optional)																									
<b>FY 2009</b>		2084.7																									
<i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i>																											
Application Number 10/580,638		Filed February 8, 2007																									
For METHOD FOR PRODUCING {N-[1-(S)-CARBALKOXY-3-PHENYLPROPYL]-S-ALANYL-2S, 3AR, 7AS-OCTAHYDROINDOLE-2-CARBOXYLIC ACID} COMPOUNDS																											
Art Unit 1626		Examiner S. Young																									
<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 40%;"></th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;"><u>Fee</u></th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;"><u>Small Entity Fee</u></th> <th style="width: 30%;"></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$130</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$65</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$490</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$245</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$ 490.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$1110</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$555</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$1730</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$865</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$2350</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$1175</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p>A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p>Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 08-2447</p> <p><b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b></p> <p>I am the applicant/inventor.</p> <p>assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.</p> <p>Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 58,264</p> <p>attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.</p> <p>Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">               Signature               Blake E. Vande Garde              Typed or printed name           </div> <div style="text-align: center;">             March 26, 2009              Date               (704) 927-0400              Telephone Number           </div> </div>					<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>		One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$130	\$65	\$	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$490	\$245	\$ 490.00	Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1110	\$555	\$	Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1730	\$865	\$	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2350	\$1175	\$
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<p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total of 1 forms are submitted.</p>																											

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